INFORMATION SHEET

CHRISTMAS TREES SALES, DISPLAYS AND/OR STORAGE

The following minimum requirements shall be met prior to the *Las Vegas Fire & Rescue* granting approval to operate a Christmas tree sales and/or storage business within the *City of Las Vegas*. These requirements shall supersede all previous Christmas tree lot requirements. *NFPA 1: 10.15*

- No Christmas tree lot shall be located within twenty-five (25) feet of any building, structure, overhang or opening of any building where the public is invited.
- No Christmas tree lot shall be located within fifty (50) feet of any flammable liquid storage, any flammable liquid dispenser or service station.
- All allowable wiring shall be listed weather proof, oil resistant and scuff proof, of type S.J. or S.O. wiring that has been properly grounded and approved by the *Department of Building and Safety, Electrical Division.* NFPA 1: 10.15.5
- At least two (2) 2-A:10-B:C rated fire extinguisher with a current *Nevada State Fire Marshal's* tag affixed; or, a fully charged pre-connected garden hose of sufficient length to reach all areas within the designated lot and supplied with a spray nozzle, or one (1) fifty (50) gallon open drum of water with two (2) twelve (12) quart pails are required. *NFPA 1: 13.6*
- Smoking on any Christmas tree lot is prohibited and shall be enforced by the owner or his agents. *NFPA 1: 10.10.1*
- "NO SMOKING" signs shall be conspicuously displayed and shall consist of letters which have a minimum height of four (4) inches. *NFPA 1: 10.10.1*
- Approved receptacles shall be provided for discarded cigarettes, cigars, etc. NFPA 1: 10.10.2
- Bonfires and open burning on the premises shall be prohibited. NFPA 1: 10.15.7
- A clear and unobstructed access way, not less than twenty (20) feet in width, shall be provided for fire apparatus to all parts of the lot. *NFPA 1: 18.2.2.5.1.1*
- Trees sold commercially as being flame proofed trees shall have affixed to them a tag listing the chemical used and certifying that the workmanship of the flame proofing is in accordance with the directions as set forth by the manufacturer for application of the chemical used. *NFPA 1: 10.15.3*
- Such tag shall be provided and affixed by the firm doing the flameproofing. NFPA 1: 10.15.3
- Flocking is not to be misconstrued as accomplishing the requirement for flameproofing.
- Flame proofing in accordance with the above requirements shall be provided prior to the application of any flocking solution or material.

- All canopies for storage, display and sale of Christmas trees, shall be open, without sidewalls or drops on 75% or more of the perimeter. *NFPA 1: 3.3.11.11*
- A separate permit is required from the *Fire Prevention Division* for all canopies over four hundred (400) square feet in size. These canopies shall meet the requirements of *NFPA 1*, *Chapter 25*. *NFPA 1: 1.12*
- Canopy use shall not exceed (60) sixty days. NFPA 1: 25.2.1.1
- With regards to location, support ropes and guy wires are to be considered part of the canopy. Canopy location shall comply with Christmas tree lot location requirements.
- Canopy supporting members shall be of sufficient size and strength to support the structure. The poles and their supporting guys, stays, stakes, and fastenings shall be of sufficient strength and attachment to resist a minimum wind pressure of 20 lbf/ft²(0.96 kPa) of projected area of the canopy. Canopies shall be adequately guyed, supported, and braced to withstand a minimum pressure or suction of 10 lbf/ft² (0.48 kPa). Pull-down ropes (jump ropes) shall be provided on all poles. Canopies cannot be supported by the contents they protect. *NFPA 101.8-3.1/3.4*
- No fireworks, open flame or any device emitting flame or fire or creating a glow capable of igniting combustible materials shall be used within twenty (20) feet of any canopy, including portable electrical generator(s). *NFPA 1: 1.5.5*
- A minimum of two (2) unobstructed exits shall be provided from all canopies. Each exit shall be at least six (6) feet in width. Adequate aisles and exit access with a minimum width of forty-four (44) inches shall be provided to required exits. *NFPA 1: 14.9.1.1 & 14.9.1.2*
- Canopies shall have sufficient illumination to ensure the safe egress of occupants. NFPA 101: 7.8
- All portions of the canopy shall be of flame-retardant material or shall be made fire retardant in an approved manner. All floor coverings, bunting, flammable decorations or effects, including sawdust when used on floors or passageways, shall be made fire retardant in an approved manner.

 *NFPA 101: 10.3.1
- Qualified persons necessary to safeguard the premises shall be provided to ensure the safety of all patrons and to ensure compliance with the aforementioned requirements. *NFPA 1: 1.7.13*

The items listed are basic information only. Codes are subject to change. Additional requirements may apply.

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